



## **Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works and Procurement**

**Date:** September 16, 2003  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Referral to:** Honorable Barb Johnson, Chair Ways & Means Committee

**Subject:** **Approval of Official Publication No. 6150 – Re-Bid for Public Impound Towing**

### **Recommendation:**

Acceptance of the low responsive bidders as indicated below for an estimated total expenditure of \$461,000.00 to furnish and deliver towing of vehicles from public or private property for Zones 1-2 in the City of Minneapolis:

Wrecker Service, Inc.	Zone 1	Price per tow	\$120.00
Shorties Towing, Inc.	Zone 2	Price per tow	\$150.00

Contingent on approval of the Civil Rights Department.

### **Previous Directives:**

- August 12, 2003 T&PW and August 18, 2003 W&M/Budget recommended that proper City officials be authorized to execute contracts for impound towing services in zones 3 – 6.

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**Approved by:** Klara A. Fabry, P.E.   City Engineer, Director of Public Works

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**Presenters:**   Michael W. Sachi, Parking & Skyway Systems Engineer

### **Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

☒ **No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.**  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget  
☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget  
☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase  
☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves  
Other financial impact (Explain):

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

### **Background/Supporting Information:**

Tabulation of two (2) bids received on Official Publication No. 6150 - Rebid for Public Impound Towing – Zones 1 and 2 for Public Works Transportation is attached.

The City maintains six (6) tow zones for towing of vehicles due to snow emergency and street sweep operations. Those zones are identified as Zones 1 through 6 (see attached map).

Tow Zones 1 and 2 were rebid due to the department rejecting the bid of \$175.00 per tow, deemed as unacceptably high. As stated in the bid specification, the City has the right to reject all or any part of this bid. It is expected that overall the total towing costs will be within the contract towing budget.

We are evaluating bids for "Tow Across the Street" and are designing a possible pilot project for the upcoming snow season. If developed, this matter would be brought before your committee for review and action.

Attachments - Zone Map  
Tabulation Sheet

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